

## Record of operational decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	Capital Investment in Infrastructure and Assets: Winter Fleet
<b>Date of decision:</b>	8 February 2022
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Director of Economy and Environment
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	<p>6<sup>th</sup> October 2021 Cabinet Member Report: Capital Investment in infrastructure and Assets: Extra Ordinary Highways Maintenance, Bio Diversity Net Gain and Winter Fleet:</p> <p>Delegated authority to Director of Economy and Place (in consultation with the S151 officer) to take all operational decisions to spend the budget as set out in the recommendation (a).</p> <p><a href="https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?Ild=50037548">https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?Ild=50037548</a></p>
<b>Ward:</b>	Countywide
<b>Consultation:</b>	As part of the revised consultation process for key decisions, the Political Group Consultation was undertaken, 1 response has been received which related to the Market Towns investment. No comments were received in relation to the Fleet.
<b>Decision made:</b>	To invest in the Winter Service Fleet and procure 1 No Fleet Vehicle: The council to tender for the replacement of 1 no New Gritter and to purchase subject to the tender evaluation.
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	<p>The capital investment programme was approved at full Council on the 12 February, 2021, the capital investment is part of a wider investment in Public Realm infrastructure and Asset Investment.</p> <p>The fleet replacement strategy is a key component to the Winter Service Plan.</p>
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	The £139k Winter Fleet strategy underpins the council response to winter conditions providing a fleet of vehicles able to deliver the Winter Service Plan though challenging conditions. The continued investment enables the council to provide a reliable modern fleet which also minimises the impact of carbon emissions. The allocated fund will be used to provide the investment required for vehicles and equipment such as dash cams in 2021/22.
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	To invest through the Public Realm Contract but this has been discounted due to the additional fees incurred.
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	None

I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

Print Name: Neil Taylor

Job Title: Interim Director for Economy and Environment